

4.	Actions arising from the previous meeting		
Action Officer	Action	Status / Update	
Ian Lancaster	Follow up on funding options to upgrade the Rapid Creek Management Plan.	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>27/3 - Members had a broad discussion with Mike Clark from Greening Australia. It was agreed GF would investigate whether DIPL will provide one off funding to DENR to provide to the committee to engage a consultant.</p> <p>DIPL and DENR in discussions as to how this can be achieved.</p>	
Neal Adamson	Circulate DoD's updated Bushfire Management Plan (for RAAF Base Darwin) to the Committee.	<p>Complete</p> <p>The Bushfire Management Plan was circulated to the committee in August 2018. The new plan is still to be approved and will be provided once finalised.</p> <p>27/3 - It was agreed all member organisations would provide fire and weed management plans for circulation to committee members. It will also be made a standardised agenda item.</p>	
Ian Lancaster	Seek information about whether or not DIPL has done any Storm Water Management. Planning for the Berrimah North development.	<p>Completed</p> <p>Follow up regarding their Stormwater Management Plan. Push and lobby to ensure storm water structures are in place.</p> <p>27/3 - tender for the flight path has been released.</p>	
All members	RCWAC to actively participate in Storm Water Management for any developments in the catchment to ensure that effective planning is undertaken and that plans are properly implemented to mitigate impacts on both flooring and sedimentation of the creek.	<p>Complete</p>	
Ian Lancaster	Get an update on the Rapid Creek Maintenance Program. IL confirmed this action is referring to the removal of vegetation from under the Old McMillan's Road bridge and an ongoing maintenance program.	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>It was noted a number of trees including a black wattle was blown over by the cyclone.</p> <p>IL to confirm who the appropriate department is</p>	

			<p>to take the lead on the removal of trees.</p> <p>GF to email IL and AC a copy of the Rapid Creek Management Plan.</p> <p>27/3 - GF to provide an update out of session.</p>
5.	<p>Presentation from Mike Clark, Greening Australia.</p>	<p>Mike Clark (MC), Greening Australia attended the RCWAC meeting. MC went onto explain the Urban Rivers and Corridors Program is a new initiative that will engage urban communities, Indigenous rangers and local councils in river bank restoration and corridor creation. It's an opportunity for States and Territories to nominate a river or waterway to be a part of the program and MC has nominated Rapid Creek. The outcomes for Rapid Creek could mean better water quality and biodiversity.</p> <p>MC tabled a hand out (refer Attachment A) to provide generic dot points of the project.</p> <p>MC asked if anyone members have ideas to include within the proposal to please let him know.</p> <p>KG suggested CDU be included in the proposal.</p> <p>IL would like to see the Plan of Management updated as part of this project or at the very least cross referenced.</p> <p>KG suggested engaging a consultant to draft the new plan and to reevaluate the values. IL advised there is no budget to engage a consultant.</p> <p>TM asked if other avenues have been considered for funding. MC suggested approaching each organisation to donate funding to the cause. It was noted that it's unlikely the NT Government is in a position to contribute to the cause.</p> <p>GF implied that DIPL may provide one off funding to DENR to provide to the committee to engage a consultant.</p> <p>Committee endorsed DIPL providing funding to DENR to fund the committee.</p> <p>TM suggested integrating recreational facilities i.e. paths etc. into the proposal.</p> <p>Further detail on the proposal can be found via the link https://www.tonyburke.com.au/urbanrivers</p> <p><i>Action: AC to email members to request comments/suggestions for the proposal and forward to MC within a week.</i></p> <p><i>Action: AC to forward prospectus to MC for information.</i></p>	
6.	<p>Update on the;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marrara Detention Basin - Flight path subdivision development - Rapid Creek Maintenance Program Framework 	<p>Refer to GF update under agenda item 7.</p>	

<p>7.</p>	<p>Report on Activities within the Catchment</p>	<p>Neal Adamson – Department of Defence <u>Weed Program Update</u> NA advised round one of weed treatment was conducted early February followed by a survey. Overall it was a good first round of treatment. It's expected the second round of treatment will commence mid to late April. NA confirmed Steve Wingrave is now managing the DoD weeds program. PO flagged there is three metre high gamba and mission grass along the creek corridor on the northern side of Rapid Creek. NF confirmed Darwin International Airport manages the southern part and agreed there are some areas requiring attention. NF advised this has been noted on the communication list with DoD. Members sought clarity around whose responsibility it is to manage the land. NA advised he is happy to provide regular reporting on weed control within the catchment; however, asked that other member organisations do the same. It was agreed IL would draft letters to organisations. RK asked that a letter also be included to the Darwin Aviation Museum to request fire and weed management plans. <i>Action: NA and NF to clarify agreement and who has responsibility, and to advise the committee of outcomes.</i> <i>Action: weed and fire management reports to become a standardised agenda item.</i> <i>Action: IL to draft letters to member organisations requesting existing management plans associated with fire and weeds are circulated amongst members prior to each meeting.</i> <i>Action: GF to contact CSIRO to confirm if they have fire and weed management plans that can be circulated to member organisations.</i> <u>Fire Update</u> NA advised four evenings of controlled burns were scheduled for the week of 25 March. However, due to wet weather they didn't go ahead. All burns are done at night due to smoke attraction of birds to minimise impact to aircraft. All burns have been postponed until 28/3 pending dry weather. Wet season burns generally follow weed treatments and are designed to remove 10-15 percent of fuel load. It was noted the contractor is Ten Rivers. DM advised all burning within the emergency response area is controlled by the NT Fire and Rescue Service and requires a permit. They are now looking at Fire Fighting One Training as not suitable for burning within the emergency response areas. Parks are in negotiations now to confirm if more training is required. This will apply to all contractors burning within the emergency response areas. Dean McAdam – Parks and Wildlife DM advised Power and Water contractors have undertaken vegetation clearing on Lakeside Drive. DM noted there is a research program looking at goannas at the Rapid Creek spit. DM explained there is no governance around the drains at the Casuarina Coastal Reserve. It is left to Parks to manage the drains, not the council. Parks are looking at how this can</p>
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8.	Update regarding the Fire and Weed Management Plan and Maps	Refer to NA update under agenda item 7.
9.	Update on the revision to the Rapid Creek Management Plan	Refer to item 5.
	Other Business	Nil.

Actions arising from meeting 27 March 2019		
Action Officer	Action	Status
AC	Presentation from Mike Clark <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Email members requesting comments or suggestions for the proposal and forward to MC before 5 April. 	Complete
AC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Forward example for prospectus to MC for information 	Complete
NA & NF	Weed Program Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clarify agreement and who has responsibility, and to advise the committee of outcomes. 	New
AC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Weed and Fire Management Reports to become a standard agenda item. 	Complete
IL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IL to draft letters to member organisations requesting existing management plans associated with fire and weeds are circulated amongst members prior to each meeting. 	Complete
GF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact CSIRO to confirm if they have fire and weed management plans that can be circulated to member organisations. 	New
GF	Rapid Creek Maintenance Program Framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update to be provided out of session. 	New
10.	Next Meeting	First week of June 2019
	Meeting closed	Meeting closed at 11:00 am